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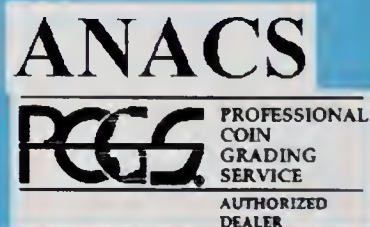
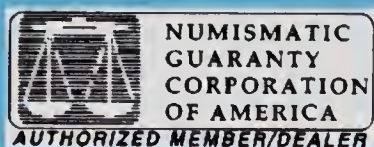
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President's Message

Dear ILNA members,

On Friday, October 9th, at 7:00 P.M., a board meeting was called in Bloomington, IL. To begin the meeting, a letter was read by our secretary, Michael Doran, to inform both the board and the ILNA organization of Frank Zapushek's resignation from the board due to health reasons. At that time, I was placed into the in-term President's position; Andy Reiber was nominated and voted into the Vice President's position; and Jim Paicz was nominated and voted into the Bourse Chairman's position by the board until next year's election. Also, at that meeting, an open board position was filled by Brian Jaskierski, owner of Windy City Coin Company.

First, I would like to thank Frank for his work as president of ILNA and congratulate him on running an enormously successful fiftieth anniversary coin show this year. May he and his family get through their health issues and recover quickly. I would like to also welcome Brian Jaskierski to the ILNA board. I believe his background and knowledge in the coin industry will help us immensely.

Let me take a few seconds to introduce myself. My name is Steve Harrison, president of Kedzie Coins & Jewelry, Inc., based in Chicago, IL. I have been interested in coins both as a collector and dealer for forty years. I grew up in the business, mentored by my father, Hillery "Hill" Harrison. Every day I go to my store looking forward to working with people, whether it be about selling their collection, starting a new collection, or investing in coins for the future. I have a passion for coins and what I do for a living. I intend to bring this same passion to the ILNA organization. Please feel free to contact me at kedziekoin@aol.com with any questions or concerns you may have about ILNA. Growing our membership is very important to me, and keeping in touch with the members and their thoughts is the first step.

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President's Message *(continued)*

Our industry is crazy right now, with gold and silver setting record prices everyday! In addition, the U.S. government is creating all kinds of new products and building interests in both young and old collectors alike. The activity I see at the coin shows I travel to all over the nation continues to grow. Our fiftieth anniversary show alone had a record setting attendance of over sixteen hundred people this year, three times the attendance of last year! Customers are careful how they spend their money, but they like the idea of purchasing hard assets, such as collectible coins and bullion.

In closing, I would like to wish everyone a happy and successful holiday season. As the weather outside gets cold, I hope that you spend some quality time with your family, friends, and, of course, your coins.

Thanks,
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Secretary Michael Doran

Secretary's Message

The 50th Annual Fall Show and Convention has come and passed. Let me tell you that this year's show will go down as the best one in the association's history. Record-breaking attendance by the general public and the biggest YN Auction ever. We would like to thank all the dealers who donated to the YN Auction. Two special donations were made to the YN Auction and a special drawing was held at the end and they were 1/10 oz gold eagle donated by Windy City and a 2 1/2 dollar gold piece donated by DSS Coin & Bullion. Abe Lincoln was there passing out pennies, ANA traveling exhibits, and more. There was something for everyone. The 51st Annual Fall Show and Convention will be September 9-11, 2010 in Tinley Park. More details are available at www.ilnaclub.org.

With the fall season comes time for me to mail dues notices for those who will be owing dues for 2010. They will be mailed out in November. Also, all members who have are paid for 2010 dues ahead of time and all life members will be receiving membership cards. I hope to have them mailed out between the latter part of and early part of December. Please take a moment to pay them and help continue your support in ILNA. If you have any questions or concerns about your membership, please don't hesitate to contact me. I can be reached by phone at **(217) 663-0276**, by e-mail at secretary@ilnaclub.org, or by regular mail at **P.O. Box 401, Charleston, IL 61920-0401**.

Finally, it is my duty to report to the membership that there is a change in the leadership in ILNA. Frank Zapushek has formally resigned as President due to health reasons. As per our Constitution and Bylaws, Vice President Steve Harrison becomes the new President, and your ILNA Board has selected Andrew Reiber as the new Vice President. Reiber's board seat was filled by Brian Jaskierski through appointment.

On behalf of the Officers and the Board of Governors of ILNA, I would kindly thank each and every member for their continued support in promoting numismatics in the Land of Lincoln.

Respectfully,
Michael B. Doran
Secretary

Making Sense

by John D Wright

Nestled among noteworthy years with many memorable events, we find an occasional year or two of relative calm. This is such a year. But such years still contain many fascinating bits of trivia, so let's get on with some of those.

Britain this year recognizes the independence of Transvaal, the area "across the Vaal River" where Boer (Dutch) settlers have retreated from British dominance in South Africa.

Argentina has been trying to invade and annex Uruguay. This year the army of Juan de Rosas is defeated at the Battle of Caseros. Rosas flees to England to escape the overthrow of his dictatorship, and Argentina abandons her designs on Uruguay.

The prototype of all department stores worldwide opens this year in Paris. The Bon Marche has greatly expanded the variety of goods it carries, has introduced fixed prices, low markups, return privileges, and sales commissions for clerks. These innovative practices will be copied worldwide, providing the genesis of the "department store".

Arthur Wellesley, the Duke of Wellington, victor at Waterloo, dies this year. The 'Iron Duke' is mourned with great pomp by all of the British Empire. Alfred Tennyson pens *Ode on the Death of the Duke of Wellington*.

In spite of heavy emigration to America, European population has grown by 50% in the last half century.

The American term 'telegram' is distained by British as "a piece of Yankee slang". The British prefer 'telegraphic dispatch' or 'telegraphic communication'. The gulf between the 'Brit' and 'Yank' languages has continued to widen over the centuries.

This year the terms 'white sewing' and 'under wardrobe' are replaced by the French term 'lingerie'.

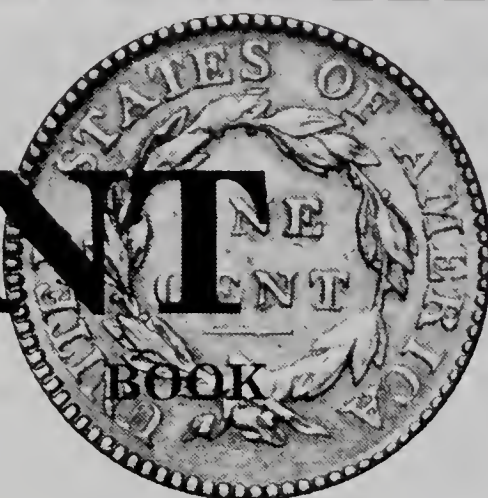
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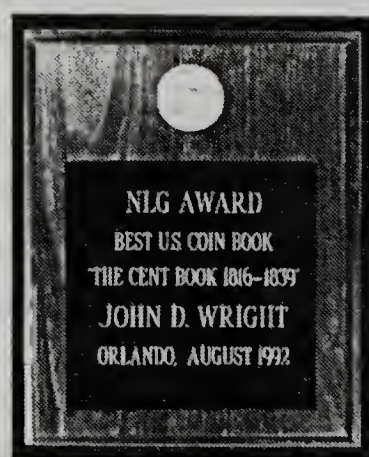
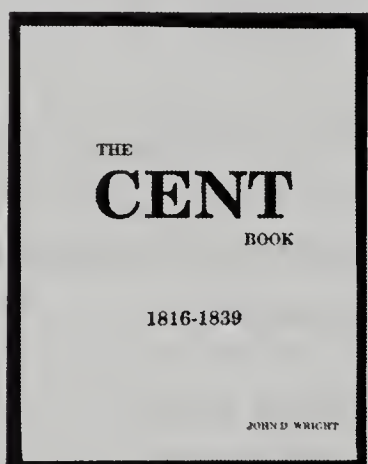
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Making Sense

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Herbert Spencer publishes *The Development Hypothesis*, which contains the first use of the word 'evolution' to reference the morphing of one creature into another. Today this 'hypothesis' – still with no proof – is taught as fact.

This year a Dutch vessel brings the first Holstein cattle to the US. This will lay the cornerstone of the US dairy industry.

Massachusetts passes the first compulsory education law. All children ages 8 to 14 must attend school at least twelve weeks of each year, six of them to be consecutive. Female teachers are becoming the norm in public schools, where about 80% of teachers are women.

Colleges begun this year include Boston State College, Tufts College in Medford MA, Antioch College in Yellow Springs OH, and Mills College for Women in Oakland CA – and this at a time when California has very few women.

Robert E Lee is appointed Superintendent of the US Military Academy at West Point NY. He befriends cadets James Whistler (a future artist) and Jeb Stuart (a future Confederate general).

The first intercollegiate meeting in any sport occurs this year on Lake Winnepesaukee in NH, as Harvard's rowing team bests Yale's team by two lengths in a two-mile rowing race.

The first 'team uniforms' appear this year as the New York Knickerbockers baseball team takes the field all dressed alike.

New York City is also the home of the world's first Jewish hospital, as "Jew's Hospital" opens in Manhattan this year. This is now "Mount Sinai Hospital", one of the nation's leading teaching hospitals.

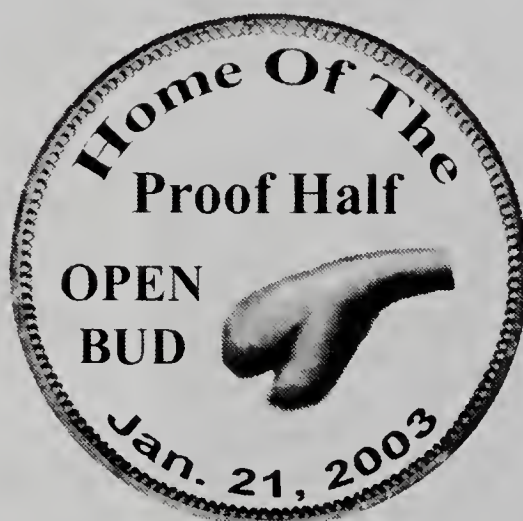
This year sees the first appearance of a cartoon image of 'Uncle Sam'. The term had been in use for nearly forty years, but never with an image.

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Bourse Chairman Jim Paicz

Bourse Chairman's Message

Hi, Jim Paicz here for those of you who do not know me. The Bourse Chairman for our 50th Anniversary Show Frank Zapushek had to resign for health reasons and at that time John Schikora and I were his assistants. The Board has asked me step up and John is working very closely with me on the show for 2010. However we are here to talk about the 2009 show ILNA's 50th Anniversary. 100 years of the Lincoln Penny & Abraham Lincoln 200th Birthday, now what are the chances of all dates lining up. I think you have a better chance of winning the lottery.

First I would like to thank Frank for all his hard work and dedication to pull this show off in a very professional manner. John's goal with the advertising in hand was to get the word out to the public not an easy task with the changing economy which led to changing prices for the ads. Great job John. Set-up went well and our show was sold out again.

The show started off well with more early birds than last year and at 3PM on Thursday the ribbon cutting to open the show was done by Abraham Lincoln (Michael Krebs) and the Honorable Mayor Ed Zaborowski of Tinley Park. The show began with lots of public looking to buy and sell coins or just curious as to what the coin show was all about.

Clifford Mishler (President of the ANA) was available on the show floor to talk to people both dealers and collectors. He also addressed the dinner on Thursday night. Frank Zapushek received several awards on behalf of ILNA from Jack Huggins Jr. of Central States and Cliff Mishler of ANA for our 50th Anniversary. Also at the dinner William Burd received the Presidents Award from the ANA and a good time was had by all in attendance.

Back to the show for the 1st time in ILNA history that I know of we had 2 grading companies grading coins & currency at the show Michigan Masters for coins and PCGS for currency. Great Job. ICG was also there taking submissions.

The youth action had great attendance thanks again to all the dealers and volunteers. Thanks to everyone for all the donations. We also tripled the attendance from the 2008 show. Thanks

Thanks goes out to the entire board and our editor for all the hard work and putting up with me and to all the dealers and most of all to my wife as she had the most difficult job keeping me sane and now its time to say God Bless America and ILNA and time to move on to the show in 2010.



Minutes of the 2nd Summer Board Meeting NOISE Show - Itasca IL Sunday, August 16, 2009

The Summer board meeting of the Illinois Numismatic Association was called to order at 1:42pm with the following officers: President Frank Zapushek, Secretary Michael Doran, Treasurer William Burd, and Chairman of the Board Steve Butler. Board members present at the meeting are as follows: Donna Doran, Jim Paicz, William Price, Richard Prouty, Andrew Reiber, John Schikora, and David Spring. There was 1 guest.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary Doran read the minutes of the July 26th meeting. After discussion, a motion was made by Reiber to accept both minutes, and seconded by Harrison, passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Burd reported to the Board that the finances are in good shape, with monies coming in from the sales of tables for the Fall Show.

DIGEST EDITOR'S REPORT

Digest Editor Donna Doran informed the Board that the postcards for the Fall Show have been printed and are being mailed out.

OLD BUSINESS – CLUB LOGO

Paicz introduced Tim Guest, who is redesigning the association's logo. Mr. Guest explained to the Board what was done with the new logo, and asked for suggestions, which the Board offered some. The final design will be unveiled at the Fall Show.

2009 FALL SHOW – REGISTRATION & SECURITY

Harrison recommended to the Board that when collectors show up at the registration desk that they need to show a photo ID, as this is a practice that is done at other shows. Also recommended is that a guard be present outside the bourse entrance to enforce the badge

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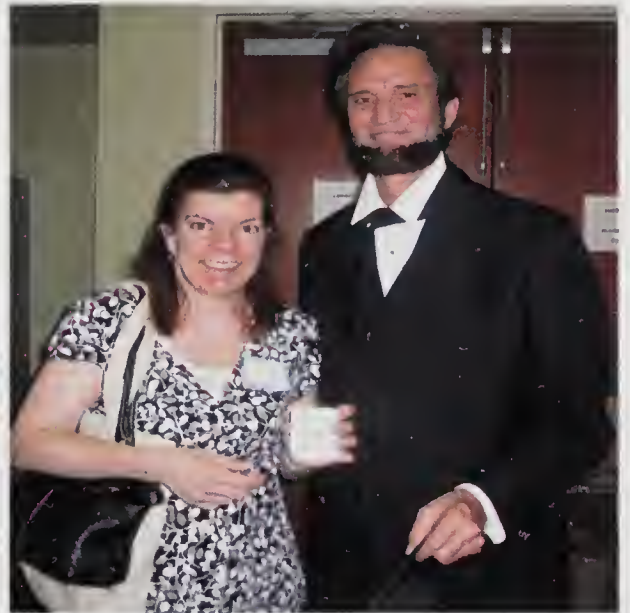
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This young man was lucky enough to win a 2 1/2 dollar gold piece donated by DSS Coin & Bullion



Abe Lincoln (Michael Krebs) helping out at the youth auction



Cliff Mishler speaking at the dinner Thursday night



Cliff Mishler presented William Burd with the ANA Presidents Award



Jack Huggins (CSNS) & Cliff Mishler (ANA) present awards to ILNA in honor of 50 years



Andy Reiber honoring the past presidents of ILNA at the dinner Thursday night

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Minutes Summer Board Meeting (Cont.)

policy. After discussion, a motion was made by Reiber to approve the recommendations, seconded by Burd, passed unanimously.

LOCAL SHOW ADVERTISING

Schikora informed the Board that the size of ads in the suburban newspapers has gotten smaller and that additional monies are needed for these ads. Also, other newspapers are being looked at. After discussion, a motion was made by Reiber to approve the spending of additional monies, seconded by Donna Doran, passed unanimously.

SLABBED CENTS

Paicz informed the Board that the slabbed cents are in the possession of Burd for distribution at the Fall Show.

NEW BUSINESS –2009 FALL SHOW

Zapushek informed the Board that there will be volunteers to help out at the registration table. Also, it was discussed that there would be door prizes at the show as well as a money jar where kids can guess how much money is in the jar. In addition, there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony with the Mayor of Tinley Park and the Abe Lincoln re-enactor having the ribbon. Finally, there will be a dinner on the Thursday part of the show which participants will pay, with awards being given out.

SHOW REPORT

Since the previous meeting, Zapushek informed the Board that his personal checking account was seized by the IRS and that \$5,000 of the association's money was in the account. \$3,000 of this amount was an advance from the treasury to pay for bills and purchase materials for the show, and the remaining \$2,000 was monies collected for Fall Show tables at a show prior to the seizure.

A motion was made by Reiber to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Harrison, passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 3:06pm.

Submitted by
Michael B. Doran
ILNA Secretary

Making Sense

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Two VERY noteworthy literary works come out this year. The complete series of *Uncle Tom's Cabin, or Life Among the Lowly* will go through 120 US editions in its first year, selling over 30,000 copies here and a like number abroad. Printings will vary from a paperback 'edition for the millions' at 37 ½ cents to a 'superb illustrated edition with 153 engravings' at \$5. A stage play from this book also debuts this year to rave reviews. The pro-slavery lobby will feel they are compelled to issue a reply, a collection of essays titled *Uncle Tom's Cabin in Ruins! Triumphant Defense of Slavery!*

The other noteworthy literary work of this year is Peter Roget's *Thesaurus of English Words and Phrases*. Roget's thesaurus will go through 28 editions before his death 17 years hence. Today the two standard word-references in most English-speaking homes are Webster's dictionary and Roget's thesaurus.

Still-popular music written this year includes Steven Foster's *Massa's in de cold cold ground*.

Two years ago Nathaniel Hawthorne published his masterpiece, *The Scarlet Letter*, dealing with adultery and the unforgiving Puritanic culture of Boston in the 1600's. Not much has changed in 200 years, as Rev Arthur Coxe of Hartford CT delivers a scathing sermon this year denouncing the book as a "brokerage of lust".

At the same time, matrimonial agencies are proliferating, advertising "cheap wives for poor and deserving young men".

The first 'coal oil' is distilled from coal tar this year by a Boston pharmaceutical firm. First marketed as a lubricant, it will be found to burn well in lamps and will be thereafter marketed under the brand name of 'kerosene'.

Eli and Elisha Slade of Durham NC produce a new, sweeter-smoking tobacco that they will call 'golden tobacco' or 'bright tobacco'. Only a particular variety of tobacco, hot-flue cured, will produce this sweet taste. The Slade's tobacco will become popular as 'Bull Durham' pipe tobacco.

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Making Sense

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Elisha Otis has invented the 'safety hoister'. Teeth on the sides of the cage stay clear of teeth on the sides of the shaft while the lift-rope (or cable) is under tension. If the rope breaks or goes slack the teeth engage and prevent the cage from dropping. Otis wants to join the rush to California, but orders for his 'safety hoister' keep him too busy to do so. From this will grow Otis Elevator Corporation and the proliferation of high-rise buildings across first this nation, and then the world.

Pennsylvania adopts a rail gauge different from that of New York to prevent the Erie Railroad (a New York company) from passing through Pennsylvania into Ohio. Passengers and goods must stop and change trains in Erie to proceed westward. Next year this action will be undone and rail-gauges will be standardized.

The first nonstop train from the east arrives in Chicago via the Michigan Southern Railway.

Studebaker Brothers Manufacturing Company is founded this year in South Bend IN. They will grow to become the world's largest manufacturer of wagons and carriages. Their most famous product will be the wagons used for westward migration. During the height of westward migration, half of the wagons used are Studebakers. Fifty years hence, Studebaker will enter the automobile business with an electric automobile.

During the migration, these covered wagons were just called 'wagons'. Today they are referred to as 'prairie schooners' (a descriptive term invented decades later) or 'Conestoga wagons', which was a freight adaptation from a farm wagon first produced in the Conestoga Valley in Lancaster County PA in the very early 1700's.

Besides his booming business in reapers, John Deere's plow factory in Moline IL produces 4,000 plows this year. Midwest farmers have been forced by labor shortages to mechanize or die, as most of their 'hands' have abandoned them for California.

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Henry Wells and William Fargo, founders of American Express Company, which serves the eastern US, establish a new company to provide mail service to the western half of the country and to transport gold and goods between New York and California. They will call their company "Wells Fargo and Company". Today a financial empire is all that remains of this overland transportation company.

The popular words of advice "Go west, young man!" are widely attributed to Horace Greeley of the *New York Tribune*, but Greeley vigorously disclaims authorship of this now-famous advice. These words were first published the year before by John Soule, editor of the *Terre Haute Express* in Indiana.

Seminole War veteran Richard King this year establishes the largest cattle ranch in Texas. The King Ranch, over 75,000 acres at its inception, will eventually grow to over 825,000 acres.

The governor of California calls for land grants for Chinese immigrants, whom he calls "one of the most worthy of our newly-adopted citizens". Nearly 50,000 Chinese have defied China's death-penalty law against emigration to make their way to the California goldfields.

Hydraulic mining is introduced this year to the California goldfields. A 45-mile canal has been dug to provide 60 million gallons of water per day. This, shot at high pressure through eight-inch diameter hoses, will wash tons of topsoil and gravel from hillsides into bottomlands for every ounce of gold extracted. Thus the gold rush enters its final phase of squeezing every possible ounce from hundreds of square miles of countryside.

Daniel Webster and Henry Clay, both unsuccessful candidates for the US Presidency, and both staunch defenders of the Union in spite of their opposing views on slavery, both die this year. Their persistent efforts have postponed for their lifetimes the coming bloodshed over this issue.

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This is an election year. US Democrats nominate a 'dark horse' (political unknown), Franklin Pierce, for President of the United States. The Whigs nominate the 'other' Mexican War hero. Four years ago Zachary Taylor had won for them on popularity alone, then died only a year into his term. This year Winfield Scott suffers a resounding defeat and the Whig party disintegrates under the slavery issue.

The last several paragraphs are the strongest non-numismatic clues I could find for the year 1852. But the numismatic clues are much stronger. Half cents drop back to Proof-only, but all other denominations are struck for circulation. The gold coinage comes mostly from Philadelphia, the majority of it in gold dollars and double eagles. Fewer than half a million gold coins come from New Orleans, and a trivial trickle from Charlotte and Dahlonega. Silver dollars through quarters are struck sparingly and all of these disappear immediately. One to two million half dimes and dimes come from Philadelphia and New Orleans, but these also vanish on delivery. Trimes (tiny three-cent pieces derisively called "fish scales") are struck by the millions – the greatest coinage of these ever. As with last year, day-to-day spending is handled almost exclusively by large cents and tiny trimes and gold dollars. After two years, Congress has still not recognized the problem of the vanishing overweight silver coins.

In California coins continue to be struck from local gold in denominations up to the giant \$50 'slug'. The lack of small change in California is addressed this year by local coiners who produce the first 'California fractionals', or gold coins valued at 50c and 25c. The latter, also called a 'pinch' is the tiniest coin ever struck in America, measuring a mere 10mm (versus a dime at 18mm) and weighing only a quarter of the weight of the tiny trime. But this is a convenience coinage that circulates only in and around California.

To end with comments about noteworthy 1852 US cents is difficult, as nothing is noteworthy of the five million cents coined this year

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from twenty die-combinations (two not in Newcomb and four Newcomb listings de-listed). One variety of 1852 cent is known only in Proof, and its specimen-count of three makes it the rarest Proof-only large cent.

The 1852 half cents are all Proofs, with 50 to 60 pieces known from one obverse and (supposedly) four reverse dies, though one of the four listed varieties of this date has not been seen on any example since the one catalogued in the 1890's. Was that one really listed properly over 110 years ago?

The reason for "no circulation half cents of 1852" is because Mint Director George Eckfeldt refuses to strike any more half cents until the glut of 1851 half cents have all been shipped – all \$750 worth of them. At current order-rates, that may take over a decade. Half cent coinage will resume next year under a new Director of the Mint, even though the cost of copper is now 41c a pound and rising, plus the cost of rolling, cutting, upsetting, transportation, and a reasonable profit for the planchet suppliers. That pound of copper will produce only 40c worth of half cents (or cents – but at least the cents are being ordered and shipped). It is no wonder that the era of the half cents and large cents is drawing to a close.

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